

REMARKS:

Applicant has carefully considered the Office Action mailed March 7, 2005. Reconsideration of the application in view of this amendment in response thereto is respectfully requested.

Claims 5 and 11 are objected to for failure to provide a clear antecedent for "each locking mechanism." Claims 5 and 11 have been amended to establish a clear antecedent.

Claims 1 and 7 are rejected as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). Claims 1 and 7 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

It is noted that claims 2-5 and 8-11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 3 and 9 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and rewritten independently as new claims 12 and 13, respectively. Claims 2, 4 and 5 have been amended to now be dependent from new claim 12, and claims 8, 10 and 11 have been amended to now be dependent from new claim 13. As a result, claims 2, 4-5, 8 and 10-13 should now be in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if it is felt that the prosecution of this application may be expedited thereby.

Respectfully submitted,
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